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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 SCOPE

This DEP gives guidance and requirements for the demolition of vertical cylindrical steel storage tanks and is based on EEMUA 154, **which is endorsed in full without amendment**.

This DEP is a revision of the previous publication of the same number dated December 1982.

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2. EXTERNAL STANDARD APPROVED FOR USE

The following standard is approved for use, without any Group amendments:
EEMUA 154

3. REFERENCES

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Index to DEP publications and standard specifications

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